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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
VIA: Deputy Director for Intelligence  
FROM: Acting Director of Soviet Analysis  
SUBJECT: SOVA Effort in Defense Industries

1. Action: No action required, for your information only.
2. Background: This long paper is, I am sure, more than your schedule will permit you to read, but I thought you might like to know that it is available to be plunked on the desk of the next person who asks what you are doing with the resources given to the Agency for analysis of Soviet defense industries. I think it is a useful demonstration of payoff for a long term building block approach.
  - It ties together and/or draws upon a long list of individual, in-depth studies, which are listed in the tabbed annex.
  - It goes a long way toward answering the MEAP's (and others) recommendation that we take a broad look at the pattern of military production of the past 10-15 years.
3. In sum, it could serve to illustrate a substantial amount of in-depth research and the application of that work to broader questions.
4. One important step remains to be taken with this draft. The broad look raises some real questions, in the minds of all of us who have read it, regarding potential cost implications. We cannot hope to answer those questions with this paper; it will take time and some new approaches. But we owe it to the reader to identify at the end of the paper--and to cover in the summary--just what we think those implications might be and to tell the consumer that the follow-up to this study must be an attack on the knotty cost questions.

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